



MINUTES
DASB SENATE MEETING
Wednesday, May 4th, 2011
4:00 pm
Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

Ze-Kun Li called the meeting to order at 4:10pm.

Roll Call

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Zara Aslam	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan	X				
Ismail Desouki			X4:11pm		
Melanie Dovan			X4:12pm		
Brenden Fant	X				
Amira Farah			X4:25pm		
Ahmad Fayad			X5:26pm		
Balaram Fedchenko			X4:15pm		
Lena Ghamrawi			X5:26pm		
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez	X				
Thoa Hoang	X				
Denny Jeon		X			
Sana Kathuria	X				
Brenda Kristie	X				
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Cindy Luu		X			X
Ali Masood		X			X
Anmol Mirakhur		X			
Leo Nguyen	X				
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina			X4:24pm		
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha		X			
Neesha Tambe	X				

Guests: Leela Tanikella, Christian Aguilar, Orit Mohamed, Shahar Marom, Pablo Zamorano, Monica Carrillo, Jeremy Lee, William Utomo, Anastasia Inez, Adrian Asbun, Victor Chen, Tuan Nguyen, John Liu, Carolyn Chen, Susan Chuang, Emily Kinner, Luis Flores, Ernest Lwl, Tedros Berhane, Saurav AGrawal, Kenneth Perng, Christine Yu, Patrick Yip, Jaimie Trinh, Nahui

Quetzacoatl, Shaila Ramos, Matias Carvalan, Matt Diaz,

Approval of Minutes

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Neesha Tambe moved to amend that Alison Chan, Ahmad Fayad, Lena Ghamrawi, and Taha Syed were all excused.

Zara Aslam seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

The motion to excuse Alison Chan, Ahmad Fayad, Lena Ghamrawi, and Taha Syed passed with 11 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Edison Giang moved to amend that he was absent.

Leo Nguyen seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend that Edison Giang was absent passed by consensus.

Brenda Kristie moved to approve the minutes as amended.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the minutes as amended passed by consensus.

Public Announcements

Please note: Members of the public are limited to two minutes. The Senate cannot take action or respond to items during public announcements.

- Matt Diaz announced that he passed around signup sheets to get the clubs involved with the Benefit Concert, and that he got 3 clubs to take on different shifts to sell tickets.
- John Cognetta announced that La Donna Yumori-Kaku, Dennis Shannakian, and himself will buy 10 tickets for the Benefit Concert, and that they want to challenge the other departments to beat them.
- Brenden Fant announced that if anybody is interested in the annual Auto Cross event at De Anza, they should come see him because there are very few spots left.

Senate Announcements

- Neesha Tambe asked for an advisory vote of who is going to Cal Day. Seven people responded with yes.
- Thoa Hoang asked everyone to please wear their DASB shirt to the Senate Meetings, even though the term is ending soon.

Internal Reports

- Zara Aslam from the Diversity and Events Committee reported that the ticket sales for

the Benefit Concert has begun, that the itinerary has been finalized, and that the rehearsal will be on May 11th from 4:30 to 7pm. They are meeting with the light/sound technician to make the event epic, and their marketing strategy is to go to club meetings, have one-on-one conversations, and hold classroom presentations. Mariam Azhar appreciated Zara Aslam for helping out with the Benefit Concert a lot, and Amira Farah for working on the VPAC details with her. In the future, the Committee wants to sell a lot of tickets, and next Monday they will talk about the actual day-of jobs for the Benefit Concert. They need assistance with tabling and they want all the Senators to sell their 5 assigned tickets. The Committee is meeting Mondays at 3:30pm in the Student Council Chambers.

- Ismail Desouki from the Student Rights and Services Committee reported that they need to market the Campus Cupboard and the Discounts, and that the plans for the intramural sports event are in progress. Natasha Asar reported that the scholarship applications are now up and that they need to be marketed as well, and that the applications for all services are complete and available to the students, and now they need to get the students' interest. She appreciated Amira Farah for doing great with the scholarships, and Ismail Desouki, Ravi Joshi, and Anmol Mirakhur for their effort regarding the intramural sports event. In the future, the Committee wants to focus on marketing all their projects, and they need assistance with that task and getting applicants, doing classroom presentations for the Campus Cupboard and the Scholarships. The Committee is meeting Fridays at 11:30am in the student Council Chambers.
- Thoa Hoang from the Marketing Committee reported that the design for the newsletter is complete, but that they are facing some technical difficulties printing it. She appreciated Ravi Joshi for his dedicated work, and reported that in the future, the Committee wants to send out the newsletter, market the elections, and promote the Benefit Concert. They need assistance with tabling and selling tickets, and she announced that selling 3 tickets equals one field hour. The Committee is meeting Fridays from 2:30 to 4:30pm in the Meeting Room 2.
- Neesha Tambe from the Administration Committee reported that they finished the Finance Code Changes and the Marketing Code Changes, and appreciated Ali Masood for his outstanding work for the Committee and the whole Senate. In the future, the Committee wants to work on the DASB Wiki page and the Office Cleanup at the Senate Meeting. They do not need assistance with anything right now, and they are meeting Fridays from 12:30 to 1:30pm in the Senate Office.
- Brenda Kristie from the Finance Committee reported that they submitted another Finance Code Change regarding the field trips the Committee shall make to the different programs that are supported by the DASB, and that they passed the Budget through the Board of Trustees. They are taking back an additional \$3,000 from the Student Leadership Conference to the DASB Special Allocations, and the CCP and Honors Councils are still going on; the Honors Program sent out a job description for the Honors Program Student Assistant. She appreciated Ze-Kun Li and Leo Nguyen for having a very good presentation of the Budget to the Board of Trustees. In the future, the Committee wants to approve budget requests, and reformat and change the Budget Request Form. They are meeting Mondays at 4pm in the Santa Cruz Room.
- Anaruth Hernandez from the Environmental Sustainability Committee reported that their main goal is to get the eco-pass on the ballot, and it would be great if everyone could support this. She appreciated all 15 members of the Committee for coming to their

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meetings every Friday morning from 8:30 to 9:30am and having a work session the hour afterwards.

External Reports

- Nevin Sarina reported that the Town Hall Meeting was on Monday, where they informed the faculty about what is happening. The district is facing \$30 million cuts, and \$15 million will be put on De Anza. From that, \$10 million will be taken from part time faculty, and \$9 million will be cut at Foothill. Therefore, the Colleges are trying to enroll a lot of students in Summer and Fall, because most cuts will happen in Winter and Spring. If the union does not approve a pay cut for the part time faculty to open up more jobs, there will be 300 to 400 part time faculty positions reduced in Winter and Spring quarter.
- Ze-Kun Li added that the faculty and administrators are trying really hard, because last year, instead of pay cuts, they paid some part of their medical insurance themselves, which saved \$5.3 million, and now the part time faculty is taking some pay cuts to save their positions.
- Anaruth Hernandez announced that the CEAG changed their meetings to Wednesdays from 1 to 2pm, and that they did not get the grant in order to comply with STARS. They are going to talk to the people who gave it out, because there was a problem with a changed application, and they are still figuring out what went wrong. They also decided on their commitment to democracy, which mirrors Brian Murphy's curriculum process. They had a garden project meeting today and they are officially a Shared Governance now.

Brenden Fant moved to table all further items until they talked about the eco-pass ballot.

Edison Giang seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to table all further items passed by consensus.

Star of the Week

Natasha Asar, Amira Farah

Consent Calendar

1. Removal of Ali Masood from the Elections Committee.
2. Removal of Lena Ghamrawi from the Diversity and Events Committee.
3. Approval of Ahmad Fayad for the Elections Committee.
4. Approval of Nevin Sarina's Leave of Absence from May 6th to May 13th, 2011.

Ahmad Fayad moved to have a 5 minutes recess when Mariam Azhar comes back in.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to have a 5 minutes recess passed.

Ze-Kun Li called the meeting back to order at 6:17pm.

Role Call after recess:

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Zara Aslam	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan		X			
Ismail Desouki		X			
Melanie Dovan		X			
Brenden Fant	X				
Amira Farah		X			
Ahmad Fayad	X				
Balaram Fedchenko	X				
Lena Ghamrawi	X				
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez		X			
Thoa Hoang	X				
Denny Jeon		X			
Sana Kathuria	X				
Brenda Kristie	X				
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Cindy Luu		X			
Ali Masood		X			
Anmol Mirakhur		X			
Leo Nguyen		X			
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina	X				
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha		X			
Neesha Tambe	X				

Brenden Fant moved to approve the Consent Calendar.

Meera Suresh seconded the motion.

Objections on item #4.

Sana Kathuria moved to approve items 1 through 3.

Brenden Fant seconded the motion.

No objections.

Approval of item #4.

Nevin Sarina presented the item.

Arvind Sarina moved to approve Nevin Sarina's Leave of Absence.

Brenden Fant seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Ahmad Fayad moved to limit discussion to one more pro and con.

Melanie Dovan seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to limit discussion to one more pro and con failed with 4 yes votes and 6 no votes.

Discussion continued in pro-con style, and with a time limit of 1 minute for each person and a maximum of two arguments.

Ahmad Fayad moved to end discussion.

Zara Aslam seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve Nevin Sarina's Leave of Absence passed with 9 yes votes and 8 no votes.

Business

5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: DASB Printer

This item is to approve the transfer of \$483 from Account #41-52179-6420, DASB Printer, to Account #41-52102-7320, Winter/Spring Special Allocations, due to printer expense coming in less than the District estimate.

Presenter: Leo Nguyen

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

Leo moved to approve the transfer of \$483 from Account #41-52179-6420, DASB Printer, to Account #41-52102-7320, Winter/Spring Special Allocations, due to printer expense coming in less than the District estimate.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Edison Giang moved to end discussion.

Arvind Ravichandran seconded the motion.

No objections.

Role call vote to approve the transfer of \$483 from Account #41-52179-6420, DASB Printer, to Account #41-52102-7320, Winter/Spring Special Allocations, due to printer expense coming in less than the District estimate:

	YES	NO	Abstain
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam	X		
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan	X		
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant			
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		

Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		
Denny Jeon			
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu			
Ali Masood			
Anmol Mirakhur			
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran	X		
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh	X		
Syed Taha			
Neesha Tambe			

The motion to approve the transfer of \$483 from Account #41-52179-6420, DASB Printer, to Account #41-52102-7320, Winter/Spring Special Allocations, due to printer expense coming in less than the District estimate passed with 19 yes votes and 0 no votes.

6. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: Student Accounts

This item is to approve the carry forward balance in Account #41-52038, Farmer’s Market, on 6/30/11, because Funding is needed in the 2011-2012 Fiscal year to pay for the County permit and inspections.

Presenter: Leo Nguyen

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

Leo Nguyen moved to approve the carry forward balance in Account #41-52038, Farmer’s Market, on 6/30/11, because Funding is needed in the 2011-2012 Fiscal year to pay for the County permit and inspections.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Brenda Kristie moved to end discussion.

Leo Nguyen seconded the motion.

No objections.

Role call vote to approve the carry forward balance in Account #41-52038, Farmer’s Market, on 6/30/11, because Funding is needed in the 2011-2012 Fiscal year to pay for the County permit and inspections:

	YES	NO	Abstain
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam	X		

Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant	X		
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		
Denny Jeon			
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu			
Ali Masood			
Anmol Mirakhur			
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran	X		
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh	X		
Syed Taha			
Neesha Tambe			

The motion to approve the carry forward balance in Account #41-52038, Farmer's Market, on 6/30/11, because Funding is needed in the 2011-2012 Fiscal year to pay for the County permit and inspections passed with 19 yes votes and 0 no votes.

7. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: ICC

This item is to approve \$800, including \$200 for Supplies and \$600 for Equipment Rental/Leasing, for the ICC.

Presenter: Leo Nguyen

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

Leo moved is to approve \$800, including \$200 for Supplies and \$600 for Equipment Rental/Leasing, for the ICC.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Leo Nguyen moved to end discussion.

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion

No objections.

Role call vote is to approve \$800, including \$200 for Supplies and \$600 for Equipment Rental/Leasing, for the ICC:

	YES	NO	Abstain
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam	X		
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant		X	
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		
Denny Jeon			
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu			
Ali Masood			
Anmol Mirakhur			
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh	X		
Syed Taha			
Neesha Tambe	X		

The motion is to approve \$800, including \$200 for Supplies and \$600 for Equipment Rental/Leasing, for the ICC passed with 18 yes votes and 1 no vote.

8. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: Lifetime Fitness and Wellness Center

This item is to approve the line item transfer for the Lifetime Fitness and Wellness Center and a budget transfer of \$5,900 from the Wellness Center (Account #41-57440-5315) to the DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations.

Presenter: Leo Nguyen

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

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Leo Nguyen moved to approve the budget transfer for the Lifetime Fitness and Wellness Center and a budget transfer of \$5,900 from the Wellness Center (Account #41-57440-5315) to the DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Edison Giang moved to end discussion.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

No objections.

Role call vote to approve the budget transfer for the Lifetime Fitness and Wellness Center and a budget transfer of \$5,900 from the Wellness Center (Account #41-57440-5315) to the DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations:

	YES	NO	Abstain
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam	X		
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant	X		
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		
Denny Jeon			
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu			
Ali Masood			
Anmol Mirakhur			
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh			
Syed Taha			
Neesha Tambe	X		

The motion to approve the budget transfer for the Lifetime Fitness and Wellness Center and a budget transfer of \$5,900 from the Wellness Center (Account #41-57440-5315) to the DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations passed with 18 yes votes and 0 no votes.

9. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Transportation Fee Ballot Measure

This item is to approve a Transportation Fee Ballot Measure.

Presenter: Anaruth Hernandez

Time Limit: 30 minutes

John Cognetta presented the item.

Arvind Ravichandran moved to approve a Transportation Fee Ballot Measure.

Anaruth Hernandez seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to amend under the pro-argument “cheaper than car, considering the cost of gas”, to add “insurance, and maintenance”.

Brenden Fant seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend under the pro-argument “cheaper than car, considering the cost of gas”, to add “insurance, and maintenance” passed by consensus.

Discussion continued.

Nevin Sarina moved to amend to add a con that states “buses do not always provide direct means of transportation”.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Arvind Ravichandran moved to amend Nevin Sarina’s motion to say “buses do not always provide direct means of transportation from students’ homes to De Anza”

No second.

Motion died.

Nevin Sarina moved to end discussion on the amendment.

Arvind Ravichandran seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to end discussion failed with 8 yes votes to 6 no votes.

Discussion continued.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to amend to have the amendment state “buses could be less convenient than cars, considering buses do not always provide direct route of transportation”

Brenden Fant seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion on amendment of amendment occurred.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to informal discussion.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

The motion to informal discussion passed with 6 yes votes to 6 no votes by Ze-Kun Li's vote to have informal discussion.

Con arguments:

- Students who don't use the bus will still be paying the fee
- May not be fully utilized by all students
- Students may not know they are entitled to an eco-pass
- Might end up overpaying the VTA in comparison to usage of the eco-pass
- Not uniform access ability of bus and light-rail
- Loss of revenue from parking permit sales will decrease College funding for parking lot and structure maintenance
- Could increase commute time

Pro arguments:

- Benefits all De Anza students including car drivers by freeing up parking spaces and reducing traffic congestion
- Encourages greener form of transportation by reducing carbon footprint
- Provides all students opportunity for affordable College transportation accessibility
- Handicap accessible
- Saves money for the students who regularly use, or are willing to use, the VTA bus/light rail
- Regular VTA annual bus pass costs \$770 versus the eco-pass at De Anza would cost \$20 per year per student
- Commute time could be used to study
- Can be used throughout VTA bus/light rail

Discussion on arguments occurred.

Brenden Fant moved to extend time by 60 minutes.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

No objections

The motion to extend time by 60 minutes passed.

Paired up pros and cons.

“Students that do not use the bus and light rail still have to pay” – “Provides De Anza students the opportunity for affordable transportation within VTA bus/light rail network”

“Could relieve automobile traffic and parking congestion on campus” – “Loss of revenue from parking permit sales will decrease college funding for parking lot and structure maintenance”

“If students do not utilize eco-pass, VTA may be overpaid for services” – “Regular VTA annual bus pass costs \$770 versus eco-pass that costs up to \$20 per student per year”

“Handicap and bicycle accessible” – “Inconsistent accessibility to VTA bus/light rail stations”

“Could decrease carpooling” – “Promotes alternative transportation which can reduce carbon footprint”

Final list of pros and cons:

Pro	Con
Provides students the opportunity for affordable transportation within the VTA bus/light rail network	Students that do not use the VTA bus/light rail still have to pay
Could relieve automobile traffic and parking congestion on campus	Loss of revenue from parking permit sales will decrease college funding for parking lot and structure maintenance
Regular VTA annual bus pass costs \$770 versus Eco-Pass that costs up to \$20 per student annually	If students do not utilize Eco-Pass, VTA may be overpaid for services
Handicap and bicycle accessible	Inconsistent accessibility to VTA bus/light rail stations
Promotes alternative transportation which can reduce carbon footprint	Could decrease carpool

Ismail Desouki moved to approve the pros and cons.

Melanie Dovan seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

Ahmad Fayad moved to end discussion.

Zara Aslam seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the pros and cons passed with 17 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Discussion on main motion continued.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to approve the Transportation Fee Ballot Measure.

Melanie Dovan seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the Transportation Fee Ballot Measure passed.

10. INFORMATION

Title: Finance Code Changes

This item is to approve the Environmental Sustainability Code Changes.

Presenter: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

11. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: Environmental Sustainability Code Changes

This item is to approve the Environmental Sustainability Code Changes.

Presentor: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

Brenden Fant moved to approve the Environmental Sustainability Code Changes.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to postpone the item, because there are some more changes that have to be made but that have not yet been discussed.

Brenden Fant moved to amend Article D, Section 5, to state, “continuously update and document application information”.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend Article D, Section 5, to state, “continuously update and document application information” passed by consensus.

Discussion on main motion continued.

The motion to approve the Environmental Sustainability Code Changes passed with 14 yes votes and 0 no votes.

12. INFORMATION

Title: Marketing Code Changes

This item is to approve the Finance Code Changes.

Presenter: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

13. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: Diversity and Events Code Changes

This item is to approve the Diversity and Events Code Changes.

Presenter: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

Neesha moved to approve the Diversity and Events Code Changes.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Brenden Fant moved to end discussion.

Arvind Ravichandran seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to end discussion passed with 13 yes votes and 1 no vote.

The motion to approve the Diversity and Events Code Changes passed with 17 yes votes and 1 no vote.

14. INFORMATION

Title: DASB Bylaws

This item is to inform the DASB about the new Bylaws.

Presenter: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Ahmad Fayad presented the item.

Public Announcements

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- Saurav Agrawal announced that tomorrow is Mariam Azhar's birthday, and wanted everyone to sing happy birthday for her.
- Amira Farah announced that First Thursday is tomorrow from 5 to 7pm in the VPAC, that there will be food and a ticket sale for the Benefit Concert.
- Sana Kathuria passed around a sign-up sheet for modeling for the SAP fashion show, and read out the people who signed up. The show will be on June 2nd, at around 12:30pm.
- Brenden Fant announced that we all should go out there to inform the students about the eco-pass, and that he will let know everyone what to do.

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- Anaruth Hernandez announced that we just voted for the eco-pass, so everybody should update their facebook status to promote and advertise for it. Also, there will be an event regarding the California Dream Act tomorrow at the Capitol, and that 7 students from Santa Cruz and 5 from De Anza rented a bus to go there. She will keep everyone up to date about the 2 proposals, and there will be classroom presentations tomorrow from 9:30am to 12:30pm.
- Mariam Azhar thanked everyone for singing for her, and as a present to her we should all sell tickets for the Benefit Concert. She announced that every Senator is responsible for selling 5 tickets, and that she made envelopes with instructions, which she passed out.
- Ahmad Fayad announced that the Senate Retreat will be soon, and if not on May 7th, maybe it could be scheduled after a short Senate Meeting. For the advisory vote, 15 people voted yes and 3 voted with no. Therefore, the Retreat will be on next Wednesday, it will go until 9pm, and food will be provided.
- Neesha Tambe announced that she sent out an e-mail, regarding the Ignite! event, which will happen this Friday from 9:30am to 3:30pm. It opens an opportunity for girls and women to meet elected local officials, and she passed around sign-up sheets.
- Meera Suresh announced that the Campus Cupboard Applications are due next week, and that they need more applicants; they will have presentations, so please sign up on the sheet that she passed around.
- Melanie Dovan announced that the Senate will be moving starting June, which means that the new Senate will be upstairs in the cafeteria, so we need to box everything up by May 18th.
- Natasha Asar asked everyone to please tell other people, who might be interested in applying for scholarships, about it and let them know during classroom presentations.

Introduction and Approval of Prospective Senators

Leela Tanikella

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Christian Aguilar
Orit Mohamed
Shahar Marom
Pablo Zamorano
Monica Carrillo
Jeremy Lee
William Utomo
Anastasia Inez
Adrian Asbun
Victor Chen
Tuan Nguyen
John Liu
Carolyn Chen
Susan Chuang
Emily Kinner
Luis Flores
Ernest Lwl
Tedros Berhane
Saurav AGrawal
Kenneth Perng
Christine Yu
Patrick Yip
Jaimie Trinh

Adjournment

Ze-Kun Li adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm.

Submitted by,

Sara Nierle
DASB Secretary
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